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### Missouri Home for Aged Bap- tists.

(St. Louis Republic, January 10th.)

At Ironton, Mo., there recently has  
been established the Missouri Home  
for Aged Baptists. For 13 months  
this establishment has flourished in  
the Arcadia Valley. It is designed "as  
a place of residence for members of  
Baptist churches in Missouri, who, be-  
cause of age and infirmity, are unable  
to support themselves, and who have  
no children, relatives or personal  
friends able or willing to give them a  
home."

The Baptist Church in Missouri long  
has felt the necessity for some such  
institution. Its orphans have been  
provided for, and its sick cared for in  
their own sanitariums, but it was not  
until May 6, 1913, that Superintendent  
Riggs and his excellent helpmate op-  
ened the doors of the Missouri Home  
for Aged Baptists.

The home at that time was in the  
historic old Emerson place, at Ironton,  
which was rented from Henry M.  
Blossom, of St. Louis, but after a  
year's trial the Board of Trustees, con-  
sisting of Rev. Milford Riggs, D. D.,  
president, E. L. Cook, of Ironton, sec-  
retary and treasurer, and S. P. Ringo,  
Ironton, Adrian Steel, De Soto, David  
W. Hill, Poplar Bluff, Mrs. J. A. Hope  
and Mrs. Milford Riggs, secured a bar-  
gain in a building erected by a sanita-  
rium company which was about to go  
out of existence, stepped right in and  
bought the property, obtaining for  
\$10,000 a plant worth several thous-  
ands more.

#### TWENTY IN HAPPY FAMILY.

So, the other day, when I visited  
there, I found 20 men and women, who  
comprise Superintendent Riggs' hap-  
py family, ensconced in a steam-  
heated home, consisting of a central  
building of 20 rooms, three cottages  
and an aggregation of sheds and sta-  
bles for Bessy, the Polled Durham, a  
gift from the Reynolds County Asso-  
ciation, and Queen, the thoroughbred  
mare.

After Queen set me down at the  
front doorstep I was almost loth to  
enter the house, the view of the Ar-  
cadia Valley is so bewitching.

To the north looms lofty, conical-  
shaped Pilot Knob. Hard by is Shep-  
herd Mountain, six miles round its  
base. Then Bald Mountain and Tip  
Top and Lewis peaks to the south, all  
overhung with the purple mountain  
haze, the guardian sentinels of this  
beautiful Modern Arcadia, and its  
three settlements, Pilot Knob, Ironton  
and Arcadia.

It is a delightful location, healthful  
for everybody, particularly for the  
aged ones whose last days should be  
bright and happy.

#### BRIGHT AND CHEERFUL INSIDE.

Inside the home, all was bright and  
cheerful. The building, I noticed,  
was particularly well adapted for its  
purpose, with its spacious halls, assembly  
room, screened sleeping porches and  
15 or more small bedrooms on the sec-  
ond floor.

The southern-exposed living room,  
lined with bookcases, which is at once  
library, chapel and assembly room, is  
decidedly the best apartment of its  
kind that I have seen in any institu-  
tion that I have yet visited.

Not elegantly furnished, not a bit of  
polished mahogany was there, or ele-  
gant rug—it was just a living-room in  
every sense of the word. Here were  
rows upon rows of well-filled book  
shelves, a well-worn rug, an old-timed  
square piano, comfortable easy  
chairs with inviting cushions, big hick-  
ory logs blazing on the hearth, all go-  
ing to make members of Dr. Riggs'  
Baptist household comfortable and  
contented.

Indeed, Dr. Riggs and his capable  
wife both told me that the home is  
not intended as an institution. There  
are no rules printed or unwritten.  
Each inmate is as much a member of  
the family as any one of the good  
pastor's family of four husky boys.  
There prevail only the long-standing  
regulations of peace and happiness  
and considerate regard for the feelings  
and comforts and rights of others.

#### CHAPEL SERVICES HELD OFTEN.

Since many of the family are un-  
able, because of age, to attend the  
village church, where each Sunday  
Superintendent Riggs becomes Pastor  
Riggs, chapel services are held several  
times each week in the assembly  
room. The house, though young in  
years, is well known to the brethren  
of the cloth, and they drop in frequent-  
ly and informally to visit for a day or  
two and always meet with hearty wel-  
come when they lead in prayer.

At meals, also, it was noticeable  
how unlike most institutions this home  
is. The conservatory at the south  
end of the dining room was a mass of  
living green, the table appointments  
were attractive and the pretty, white-  
capped young maid served a dinner  
which, I was told, was all donated or  
sent in by the Baptists throughout  
Missouri. Indeed, Sister Riggs tells  
me, the table is almost entirely sup-  
plied by parcel post.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Bismarck  
provided two fine plump dressed  
chickens, just the kind St. Francois  
County chickens ought to be. From  
the Forest Avenue Sunday School at  
Kansas City came the canned veg-  
etables; the potatoes came from

Hickory Grove from the well-kept  
fields of Messrs. Fife and Milligan;  
a zealous Baptist sister of Winfield,  
whose name had been modestly with-  
held, contributed the pickles; the  
jelly, rich, tart and splendidly jelled,  
was made and forwarded by a Glean-  
er sister in Webster Grove, while the  
best noodles I ever ate swam in butter  
churned by a housewife who belongs  
to the Center Ladies' Aid Society.

After topping all this off with ex-  
cellent cherry pie, I became firmly  
convinced that the Baptists of Mis-  
souri are mighty good providers.

After dinner I visited among the  
old folks. First I called on Mr. Rod-  
gers, a dear old gentleman, who form-  
erly lived in Mexico, Mo. He is the  
chief care of Miss Jetta Lowrey, the  
trained nurse, as he requires her al-  
most constant attention. I found him  
propped up in bed, covered up with  
blankets and a pretty patch quilt  
which had the single word "Beulah"  
etched upon it.

#### SEVERAL ST. LOUISANS THERE.

I also met Brother Hudson, old pas-  
tor of Fee Fee Church, Mr. Aekle and  
J. C. Johnson of St. Louis, the latest  
arrival at the home. Mr. Johnson  
comes from Compton Heights Church.  
I met three other St. Louisans—  
Mmes. Healy and Grover, who form-  
erly worshipped at the Grand Avenue  
Baptist Church, and a Mrs. Smith.

In the hall I stopped a moment to  
talk to Mrs. Meyers of La Grange, in  
her invalid chair, and admire the  
pretty crocheted collar she was mak-  
ing, and to Mrs. Hollis, a former resi-  
dent of Farmington. Mrs. Hollis is a  
benefactor of the home, where she  
has come to spend her declining  
years.

In an adjoining room was Miss  
Wilson of Sweet Springs, and Miss  
Buckley, who for many years was a  
valued teacher at Butler, in far-away  
Bates County. These women's sight-  
less eyes look vainly out upon the  
swelling beauties of the state Ozarks.

Then I met Miss Hubbard of Glas-  
gow, and Mrs. Powell of Fulton,  
Judge Harris of Fulton, neighbor of  
Mrs. Powell, started with a contribu-  
tion of \$10 to a fund to buy a horse for  
the home. The fund increased and  
then Henry Houf, also of the famous  
Kingdom, offered Queen, of the blood  
royal of the Blue Grass, as his con-  
tribution to the comforts of the old folks.  
Mr. Cheise of Hamilton, in Northern  
Caldwell County, sent along a survey,  
Judge Harris' efforts provided harness  
and equipment, and now Queen,  
proud and resplendent Callawegian,  
lords it over the horses of the Ozarks.

At the home I also met Mrs. Jacobs  
from the Cape, Mrs. Bowman from  
Glasgow, and Miss Weaver, who hails  
from Festus, and Mrs. Julia Pollard,  
who has always been a resident of the  
valley.

#### RECALLS PILOT KNOB BATTLE.

Mrs. Pollard remembers the battle  
of Pilot Knob, and her recollections  
concerning it are most vivid. The  
day following the battle she visited  
the field and found cannon balls scat-  
tered over the ground like hailstones.  
She saw the fort still afire and the  
prisoners of war.

With this story still in my ears, I  
mounted the winding tower steps to  
the observatory to view the historic  
"Grant's Oak." In 1888 the Govern-  
ment placed a monument at the foot  
of this tree to mark the exact spot  
where Ulysses S. Grant received his  
commission as Brigadier General of  
the United States Army.

The monument portrays Grant as a  
rugged young soldier, and flanking it  
on either side are two cannons said to  
have made the journey across Geor-  
gia to the sea.

From the conning tower I also had  
a view of "God's Acre," recently ac-  
quired by the home. It lies in the  
new cemetery to the east of the val-  
ley. I visited the cottages which be-  
long to the home.

#### COTTAGES STILL UNTENANTED.

These cottages are as yet untenanted,  
Superintendent Riggs says.

"We are not warranted in taking  
people into the home in larger num-  
bers than the contributions from the  
churches enable us to provide for  
them. If every Baptist in the State  
could read the appeals that come to  
us from those who need the home,  
and realize the pressure that is  
brought to bear upon us by churches  
that need our help in caring for their  
homeless aged ones, the cottages  
would be filled twice over. It is the  
intention to dedicate rooms in the  
home to district associations.

"We think this eminently fitting in  
view of the sympathetic interest the  
associations have manifested in the  
home during their late annual ses-  
sions. Any association whose church-  
es will contribute as much as \$100 to  
the home may have a room bearing  
the name of the association.

"The name will be inscribed on a  
neat plate and placed on the door, and  
the room will be known perpetually  
by that name. The room will be as-  
signed to the associations that are  
first to make up the required amount."

It came over me as Pilot Knob was  
left behind on my return to St. Louis  
that the Baptists of Missouri have the  
makings of a great institution, where,  
if developed along the lines begun by  
Dr. Riggs, the old folks of the faith  
will find a happy home in which to  
pass their declining years.

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### Washington Correspondence.

L. J. HALL.

The Senate is trying to find out if  
offices that the Constitution provides  
shall be filled by the President by and  
with the advice and consent of the  
Senate, can be filled by the President  
if the Senate advises against and with-  
holds its consent. A committee has  
the matter under consideration.

As the Naval appropriation bill has  
not yet been reported to the House,  
the agitation for a largely increased  
navy is still going on. The statement  
that we are a back number, so far as  
offensive and defensive preparation  
goes, is becoming hackneyed. Garden  
and Lodge, both of Massachusetts, are  
the principal agitators.

The local papers, interested of  
course in an extra session, are trying  
to show how it will be utterly impos-  
sible to pass the appropriation bills  
and enact other absolutely necessary  
legislation, by March 4th. Their  
columns are filled with stories of fric-  
tion between the President and the  
Senate. It would be hard to deter-  
mine how much truth there is in them.

News from all parts of the country  
indicates that the people very gen-  
erally endorse the action taken by Pres-  
ident Wilson regarding the search of  
American ships by Great Britain. The  
American people would back a per-  
emptory demand that it be stopped at  
once. It is thought that another note  
is in course of preparation, and that  
it will be more explicit and decisive.

The rival factions in Mexico are still  
carrying on a guerrilla warfare, and  
will very probably continue to do so  
indefinitely. The country it would  
seem, should be almost devastated.  
But if one would read the files of the  
newspapers of the years 1843 to 1846,  
he will be struck with the similarity of  
conditions and happenings of then  
and now.

The ship purchase bill, designed to  
build up our merchant marine, is meet-  
ing great opposition in the Senate.  
It is probable this measure will fail,  
although it is said that the President  
is determined that it shall become  
law. The opponents of the measure  
insist that this is an inopportune time  
for the Government to purchase ves-  
sels of belligerents or build them and  
put them into the carrying business.  
The bagaboo is foreign complications.  
It looks to us like the opposition  
comes from those who would profit  
more in making the United States a

great war power rather than a great  
commercial nation.

Some meddlesome people are trying  
to stir up trouble by stating that there  
is an organized effort to discredit  
President Wilson. There is no doubt  
whatever that there is such an effort  
being made, but the Republicans are  
making it. Some would-be wise ones  
pretend to see the hands of Champ  
Clark's friends in a propaganda  
against the President, whereas, as a  
matter of fact, the President's best  
supporters are Clark and his friends,  
and there is no doubt about the Pres-  
ident's knowing it. No President has  
ever had abler or more unselfish  
champions than President Wilson has  
in the leaders in Congress.

The woman's suffrage amendment  
resolution will probably be disposed  
of by Congress before this letter is  
printed. In our opinion it will meet  
the fate of the resolution to submit a  
prohibition amendment. We do not  
believe it has a ghost of a show to  
pass either house of Congress. With-  
out undertaking to argue the question,  
we venture the statement that the  
people of this country are going to  
wake to the fact that they have too  
much Federal Government, too many  
Federal laws; that Federal courts  
have too far-reaching jurisdiction;  
that the rights of states are too much  
restricted. Better go slow in sur-  
rendering the rights of the states.  
States would better hold on to all the  
rights they have under the constitu-  
tion and contend for those about  
which there is doubt.

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#### PILOT KNOB.

First Sunday of the month, 10:30  
o'clock; Second and Fourth Sundays,  
8:30 o'clock.

#### GRANITEVILLE.

First Sunday of the month, 8:30  
o'clock; second and fourth Sundays,  
10:30 o'clock.  
No mass at Pilot Knob or Granite-  
ville on the third or fifth Sundays of  
the month.

#### BISMARCK.

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### PROBATE DOCKET

Term Docket of the Probate Court, Iron  
County, Missouri—February Term,  
A. D. 1915.

#### Monday, February 8th.

Robert A. Rasche, Executor with will an-  
nected, of the estate of Anne Margaretha  
Rasche, deceased.  
Isaac Kelley, Guardian of the persons and  
Curator of the estate of Paul Thomas Leon-  
ard, and George Dewey Leonard, minors.

#### Tuesday, February 9th.

John A. Lotz, Administrator of the estate  
of John Lotz, deceased. Final.  
Thos. N. Mart, Executor with will annexed,  
of the estate of Lucy J. Palmer, deceased.  
Dr. R. W. Gay, Administrator of the estate  
of Jennie Morrison, deceased.  
Chas. P. Dameron, Executor with will an-  
nected, of the estate of John M. Kelley, de-  
ceased.

#### Harrison H. Peace, Administrator of the estate of Charles C. Peace, deceased. Final.

#### Wednesday, February 10th.

W. N. Tims, Guardian of the persons and  
Curator of the estate of Bert Dunn, Nannie  
Dunn, Jada Dunn and Edith Dunn, minors.

#### Thursday, February 11th.

Emma J. Yount, Guardian of the persons  
and curator of the estates of Geraldine  
Yount, Orla Yount and Vernon Yount, min-  
ors.  
O. W. ROOP,  
Judge of Probate and ex-Officio Clerk.

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